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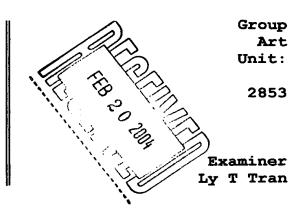
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated October 21, 2003.

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REMARKS

Applicants thank Examiner Ly T Tran for having indicated that claims 10 through 13, and claim 28, would be allowed if suitably amended. Those claims are further discussed below.

The Applicants respectfully call attention to the fact that the Official Action is very unclear about the status of